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## STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

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This SOP supersedes

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SCHEDULING OF FLYING TRAINING

1. PURPOSE: To establish the procedures to be followed for the scheduling of U-2 training flights.
2. SCOPE: This SOP is applicable to the scheduling of all U-2 training activities.
3. RESPONSIBILITY: The Director of Operations is responsible for adherence to the provisions of this SOP.
4. GENERAL: Flying schedules will be based on the following desired criteria:
  - a. Mission pilots, should normally be scheduled for a minimum of three sorties and ten hours per month in order to accomplish a proportionate share of quarterly requirements. One sortie per month will be a high level sortie. The remainder of the time can be flown in any combination of high or low level sorties.
  - b. Other U-2 qualified pilots will be scheduled to meet PHD and AFM 60-1 minimum requirements. U-2 qualified pilots will not be scheduled against time required to maintain mission pilots in O/R status.
5. PROCEDURES: The following procedures will be adhered to for all U-2 flying at 
  - a. Weekly schedule: A weekly schedule will be published by the Operations section on Friday of the week prior. This schedule will be coordinated with  Director of Materiel, and the Detachment Commander prior to publication.
  - b. Daily Scheduling: A daily flying schedule will be published for the next days flying activity. Any change from the weekly schedule will be coordinated with  the Director of Materiel, and the Detachment Commander.
  - c. Maintenance Sorties: The Director of Materiel will notify the Director of Operations of required maintenance sorties for inclusion on the daily flight schedule.

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Detachment Commander